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**PETITION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.313 FOR WITHDRAWAL
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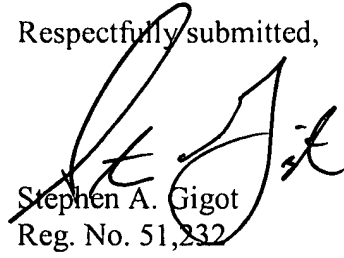
Sir:

Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the above-identified patent application from issue to permit consideration of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 filed herewith. The issue fee for the present application was paid on May 19, 2006.

A check in payment of the fee of \$130.00 required under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h) is submitted herewith. Charge or credit Deposit Account 13-3080 with any shortage or overpayment of any other fees required for this communication. Furthermore, please credit our deposit account for

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Respectfully submitted,

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